

REMARKS

In response to the election of species mailed May 3, 2004, applicant hereby elects Species A; drawn to FIGS. 1-17, and readable on claims 3-7. Additionally, claim 1 which has been indicated as being generic as well as claim 2 which depends from claim 1, also should be deemed to be readable on Species A.

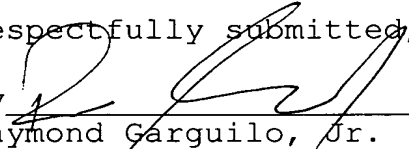
As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which the Examiner might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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